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Passed at the 2d Session of the 27th Congress.

[Public—No. 42.]

AN ACT to annex a part of the town
of Tiverton, in the State of Rhode Is-
land, to the collection district of Fall
river, in the State of Massachusetts.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of
Representatives of the United States of
America, in Congress assembled, That all
that part of the town of Tiverton, in the
State of Rhode Island, which lies north
of the south line of the farm of William
Slade, and of the farm of the heirs of
Boylston Brayton, to Wattupper Pond,
and by said pond to the south line of the
State of Massachusetts, and the waters
and shores adjoining thereto, be, and the
same is hereby, annexed to, and made a
part of the collection district of Fall river
in the State of Massachusetts.

JOHN WHITE,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

WILLIE P. MANGUM,

President of the Senate pro tempore.

Approved, August 9, 1842.

JOHN TYLER.

[Public—No. 43.]

AN ACT to provide for the settlement of
the claims of the State of Georgia for
the services of her militia.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of
Representatives of the United States of
America, in Congress assembled, That the
sum of one hundred and seventy-five thou-
sand dollars be, and the same is hereby,
appropriated to the payment and indemni-
ty of the State of Georgia, for any
money actually paid by said State on ac-
count of necessary and proper expenses
incurred by said State in calling out her
militia in the years eighteen hundred and
thirty-five, eighteen hundred and thirty-six,
eighteen hundred and thirty-seven, and
eighteen hundred and thirty-eight, during
the Seminole, Cherokee, and Creek cam-
paigns, or for the suppression of Indian
hostilities in Florida and Alabama, or so
much of said sum as may be necessary for
the purposes aforesaid, after deducting
any sum or sums of money that may have
heretofore been advanced by the United
States to the State of Georgia, to be ap-
plied to the objects aforesaid, and which
may not have been previously so applied.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That
the Paymaster General of the United
States army and the accounting officers
of the Treasury shall first ascertain and
certify what would have been due from
the United States to the volunteers and
militia called into the service of the said
State of Georgia, or by her proper au-
thorities, during the time and for the pur-
poses mentioned in the preceding section,
if said volunteers and militia had been
duly called into the service of the United
States and regularly received and mustered
by officers of the United States army, ac-
cording to the laws and regulations which
have governed in the payment of the vol-
unteers and militia of other States: Pro-
vided, That the accounts of the agent or
other officer of the State of Georgia, em-
ployed or authorized to make payments for
the aforesaid services, or of any of
them, be submitted to the Paymaster Gen-
eral and the accounting officers for their
inspection: And, provided, also, That no re-
imbursement shall be made on account of
the payment of any volunteers or militia
who refused to be received and mustered
into the service of the United States, or
to serve under officers of the United
States army, if any may have been ordered
to that service by the President of the
United States or other proper authority.

Approved, August 11, 1842.

[Public—No. 44.]

AN ACT to settle the title to certain
tracts of land in the State of Arkansas.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of
Representatives of the United States of
America, in Congress assembled, That each
and every owner of a Spanish or French
land claim, in the State of Arkansas,
which was submitted for adjudication to
the superior court of the late Territory of
Arkansas, and by that court confirmed,
being subsequent purchasers for a valua-
ble consideration, is hereby authorized,
within twelve months from the passage of
this act, to enter, respectively, the land
covered by the said claim, at the minimum
price, under such regulations as the Com-
missioner of the General Land Office shall
prescribe: Provided, That no such entry
shall be made, except of land mentioned
and described in the original claim, or of

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such tracts as have been located in pursu-
ance of the act of the twenty-sixth of
May, eighteen hundred and twenty-four,
entitled "An act enabling the claimants to
lands within the limits of the State of
Missouri and Territory of Arkansas to
institute proceedings to try the validity of
their claims," or any act reviving the same;
nor unless the owner of the claim shall
make and subscribe an oath, before the
register or receiver of the land office of
the district in which the lands lie, (which
oath such register or receiver is hereby
authorized to administer) that at the time
he became the owner of the claim he had
no notice or knowledge that the claim was
fraudulent, or that the same rested upon
any forged warrant, grant, order of sur-
vey, or other evidence of title. And for
every entry made under the provisions of
this act, a patent shall issue, although no
Spanish or French claim had ever been
entered upon said land.

Approved, August 11, 1842.

[Public—No. 45.]

AN ACT regulating the services of the
several judges in the Territory of Iowa.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of
Representatives of the United States of
America, in Congress assembled, That until
otherwise ordered by law of the Legisla-
tive Assembly of the Territory of Iowa,
the judges for said Territory, lately ap-
pointed, shall be, and they are hereby,
assigned to the same districts to which
the same judges, respectively, were hereto-
fore assigned by the laws of the said
Legislative Assembly of the Territory of
Iowa.

Approved, August 11, 1842.

[Public—No. 46.]

AN ACT in relation to the district court
for the northern district of New York.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of
Representatives of the United States of
America, in Congress assembled, That it
shall be lawful for the clerk of the district
court for the northern district of New
York to appoint a deputy, who, in his ab-
sence, may exercise all the official powers
of the said clerk, at the village of Auburn,
in the county of Cayuga, in the said dis-
trict. And such deputy, before he enters
on the discharge of his duties, shall take
the usual oath for the faithful performance
of his duties as such deputy. And nothing
herein contained shall be held to excuse or
release the said clerk from his legal respon-
sibility for acts performed by his said deputy,
in behalf of said clerk in the office afore-
said.

Approved, August 11, 1842.

[Public—No. 47.]

AN ACT explanatory of an act entitled
"An act to constitute the ports of Ston-
ington, Mystic river, and Pawcatuck
river a collection district."

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of
Representatives of the United States of
America, in Congress assembled, That the
first section of the act entitled "An act to
constitute the ports of Stonington, Mystic
river, and Pawcatuck river a collection
district," shall be construed in the same
manner it would have been, had the words
"from and after the thirtieth day of June
next" been wholly omitted in said section.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That
the aforesaid act, entitled "An act to con-
stitute the ports of Stonington, Mystic
river, and Pawcatuck river a collection
district," approved August third, eighteen
hundred and forty-two, shall take effect in all
its provisions, and be in force as hereby
explained, from and after the said third
day of August, eighteen hundred and forty-
two.

Approved, August 16, 1842.

[Public—No. 48.]

AN ACT authorizing the settlement and
payment of certain claims of the State
of Alabama.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of
Representatives of the United States of
America, in Congress assembled, That the
Secretary of War be, and he is hereby, di-
rected to audit and adjust the claims of
the State of Alabama, under such laws
and regulations as have heretofore govern-
ed the Department in auditing and allow-
ing the claims of the States on the United
States, for moneys advanced and paid by
said State for subsistence, supplies, and
services of local troops called into service
by and under the authorities of said State,
but not mustered into the service of the
United States, and for provisions and for-
age furnished the friendly Indians during
the Creek and Seminole hostilities, in the
years eighteen hundred and thirty-six and
eighteen hundred and thirty-seven, in all
cases in which the payment was for sub-
sistence, supplies, service, provisions, and
forage, which would have been paid for
under existing laws and regulations, if
such troops had been mustered into the
service of the United States, and the pro-
visions and forage had been furnished by
an agent of the United States; and that the
sum so found due to said State be paid
out of any money in the Treasury not
otherwise appropriated: Provided, That, in
auditing and adjusting said claims, duly
authenticated copies of papers which have
been lost or destroyed, upon due proof of
such loss or destruction, shall be received
as evidence.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That
the Secretary of War be, and he is hereby,
required to report to the House of Rep-
resentatives a schedule of such claims as
may be presented for adjustment under
this act, and not allowed, with the reasons

for such disallowance, at the next session
of Congress.

Approved, August 16, 1842.

[Public—No. 49.]

AN ACT to change the name of the port
of entry on Lake Erie, known as Port-
land, to that of Sandusky.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of
Representatives of the United States of
America, in Congress assembled, That from
and after the first day of October, in the
year of our Lord one thousand eight hun-
dred and forty-two, the port of Portland,
on Lake Erie, in the district of Sandusky,
in the State of Ohio, shall be called the
port of Sandusky.

Approved, August 16, 1842.

Public—No. 50.]

AN ACT to amend the act entitled "An
act supplementary to the act entitled
"An act to amend the judicial system of
the United States,""

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of
Representatives of the United States of
America, in Congress assembled, That the
fourth circuit shall be composed of the
districts of Maryland, Delaware, and Vir-
ginia.

The fifth circuit shall be composed of
the districts of Alabama and Louisiana.

The sixth circuit shall be composed of
the districts of North Carolina, South
Carolina, and Georgia.

The circuit courts in the district of Vir-
ginia shall be held at Richmond, on the
first Monday in May and on the fourth
Monday in November.

The circuit courts in the district of
North Carolina shall be held on the fourth
Monday of May and second Monday in
December.

This act shall not take effect until the
first day of February next; before which
time the Justices of the Supreme Court
of the United States, or a majority of
them, shall allot the several districts among
the Justices of said Court.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That
when the time of holding any court by this
act has been changed, all processes, pro-
ceedings, and causes shall be returned and
held to be continued to the said courts, at
the times herein provided for their meeting,
respectively.

Approved, August 16, 1842.

[Public—No. 51.]

AN ACT requiring foreign regulations of
commerce to be annually laid before
Congress.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of
Representatives of the United States of
America, in Congress assembled, That it
shall be the duty of the Secretary of State
to lay before Congress, annually, at the
commencement of its session, in a compen-
dious form, all such changes and modifica-
tions in the commercial systems of all
nations, whether by treaties, duties on
imports and exports, or other regulations,
as shall have come to the knowledge of the
Department.

Approved, August 16, 1842.

Public—No. 52.]

AN ACT to grant pre-emption rights to
settlers on the "Dubuque claim," so called,
in the Territory of Iowa.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of
Representatives of the United States of
America, in Congress assembled, That the
land lying in the county of Dubuque, in
the Territory of Iowa, heretofore reserved
for the Dubuque claim, so called, which
have not been sold by the United States
by virtue of the acts of the fourth day of
July, one thousand eight hundred and
thirty-six, and the third day of March, one
thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven,
be, and the same are hereby, declared to
be public lands; and that settlers on said
land, who, but for said reservation, would
have been enabled to enter the same under
the pre-emption laws of nineteenth June,
one thousand eight hundred and thirty-four,
twenty-second June, one thousand eight
hundred and thirty-eight, first June, one
thousand eight hundred and forty, or fourth
September, one thousand eight hundred
and forty-one, be, and they are hereby,
authorized to enter the same at one dollar
and twenty-five cents per acre, at any
time within one year after the date of this
act, upon complying with the provisions
of either of said acts under which such
person may claim; the settlers under the
earlier law being entitled to the preference
over those under a subsequent one: Pro-
vided, That this section is not to be regard-
ed as extending the right of pre-emption to
lands reserved for lead mines, salt springs,
school sections, or town lots: And provided
further, That, should the said claim of
Dubuque hereafter prove valid, compensation
to the claimants shall be made by the
United States in other public lands equal in
quantity, subject to private entry.

Approved, August 16, 1842.

[Public—No. 53.]

AN ACT making appropriations for the
support of the army, and of the military
academy, for the year one thousand
eight hundred and forty-two.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of
Representatives of the United States of
America, in Congress assembled, That the
following sums be, and the same hereby are,
appropriated, to be paid out of any money
in the Treasury not otherwise appropriat-
ed, for the support of the army for the
year one thousand eight hundred and forty-
two:

No. 1. For the pay of the army, one
million four hundred and seventy-seven
thousand seven hundred dollars.

No. 2. For the commutation of officers'
subsistence, five hundred and twenty-seven
thousand two hundred and sixty-four dol-
lars.

No. 3. For commutation of forage of
officers' horses, one hundred and sixteen
thousand nine hundred and seventy-one
dollars.

No. 4. For commutation of clothing of
officers' servants, thirty thousand two hun-
dred and forty dollars.

For commutation of clothing not drawn
in kind by the troops, fifty thousand two
hundred and forty dollars.

No. 5. For expenses of recruiting, fif-
teen thousand seven hundred and nine dol-
lars and thirty-six cents.

No. 6. For clothing of the army, camp
and garrison equipment, cooking utensils,
and hospital furniture, three hundred and
seventy-four thousand eight hundred and
seventy-six dollars and eighty cents.

No. 7. For subsistence in kind, exclusive
of that of officers, seven hundred and sixty-
nine thousand six hundred and sixty-
eight dollars.

No. 8. For the regular supplies furnished
by the Quartermaster's department, con-
sisting of fuel, forage, straw, stationery,
and printing, three hundred and sixteen
thousand dollars.

No. 9. For barracks, quarters, and store-
houses, embracing the repairs and enlarge-
ment of barracks, quarters, storehouses
and hospitals; the erection of temporary
cantonments, and of gun houses for the
protection of cannon; the purchase of tools
and materials and of furniture for the
barracks; rent of quarters for officers,
of barracks for troops, where there are no
public buildings for their accommodation,
of storehouses for the safe keeping of sub-
sistence, clothing, and other military sup-
plies, and of grounds for summer canton-
ments and encampments for military prac-
tice, one hundred and thirty-five thousand
dollars.

No. 10. For the incidental expenses of
the Quartermaster's department, consisting
of postage on public letters and packets,
expenses of courts martial and courts of
inquiry, including the additional compensa-
tion to judges, advocates, members, and wit-
nesses; extra pay to soldiers under the act
of March second, eighteen hundred and
nineteen; expenses of express and of the
interment of non-commissioned officers and
soldiers; hire of laborers; compensation of
clerks in the offices of the quartermasters
and assistant quartermasters at posts where
their duties cannot be performed without
such aid, and of temporary agents in charge
of dismantled works; and to such wagon
and forage masters as it may be necessary
to employ under the act of the fifth of July,
eighteen hundred and thirty-eight; ex-
penditures necessary to keep the regiments of
dragoons and the four companies of light
artillery complete, including the purchase
of horses to supply the place of those
which may be lost and become unfit for the
service, and the erection of stables, one
hundred and twenty-seven thousand dol-
lars.

No. 11. For transportation of officers'
baggage when traveling on duty, without
troops, sixty-five thousand dollars.

No. 12. For transportation of troops
and supplies, viz: transportation of the ar-
my and baggage, freight and portage, pur-
chase or hire of horses, mules, oxen, carts,
wagons, and boats, for purposes of trans-
portation or garrison use; drayage and car-
riage; hire of teamsters; transportation of
funds for the pay department; expense of
transport vessels, and of procuring water
at such posts as from their situation re-
quire its transportation of clothing from the
depot at Philadelphia to the stations of
the troops; subsistence from the places
of purchase and delivery, under contracts,
to such points as the circumstances of the
service may require; of ordnance, or-
nance stores, and small arms, from the found-
ries and armories, to the arsenals, fortifi-
cations, and frontier posts, two hundred and
forty-two thousand dollars.

No. 13. For the contingencies of the
army, nine thousand dollars.

No. 14. For the medical and hospital
department, twenty-eight thousand dollars.
For extending and rendering more com-
plete the meteorological observations con-
ducted at the military posts of the United
States, under the direction of the Surgeon
General, three thousand dollars.

No. 15. For the current expenses of the
ordnance service, one hundred thousand
dollars.

No. 16. For the armament of fortifica-
tions, including compensation of a special
agent to attend at the foundries employ-
ed in making cannon, one hundred and
fifty thousand dollars.

No. 17. For ordnance and ordnance
stores and supplies, one hundred thousand
dollars.

No. 18. For the manufacture of arms at
the national armories, three hundred and
sixty thousand dollars; of which sum ten
thousand dollars may, at the discretion of
the Secretary of War, be applied to the
purchase of arms.

No. 19. For repairs and improvements
and new machinery at Springfield armory
twenty thousand dollars.

No. 20. For repairs and improvements
and new machinery at Harper's Ferry ar-
mory, thirty thousand dollars.

No. 21. For arsenals, one hundred and
twenty thousand dollars.

No. 22. For purchase of saltpetre and
brimstone, forty thousand dollars.

For expense of preparing drawings of a
uniform system of artillery, one thousand
three hundred and fifty dollars.

No. 23. For preventing and suppressing
hostilities in Florida, to be expended under

the direction of the Secretary of War,
viz: for forage for the horses of the mount-
ed volunteers and militia, and for the
horses, mules, and oxen in the
service of the trains; for freight or trans-
portation of military supplies of every
description from the places of purchase to
Florida; for the purchase of wagons, har-
nesses, boats and lighters, and other vessels;
for horses mules and oxen to keep up the
trains; tools, leather, and other materials
for repairs; transportation within Florida,
including the hire of steamboats and other
vessels, for service in the rivers and on the
coast, and the expenses of maintaining the
several steamboats and transport schooners
connected with the operations of the army;
hire of mechanics, laborers, mule-drivers,
teamsters, and other assistants, including
their subsistence; and for miscellaneous
and contingent charges, including arrange-
ments, five hundred thousand dollars: Pro-
vided, That no more than one hundred and
forty-six thousand two hundred and ninety-
six dollars and seventy-three cents shall be
applied to the payment of arrearages; and
no such arrearages shall be paid unless they
are for services rendered or supplies
furnished in pursuance of law.

For military surveys for the defence of
the frontier, inland and Atlantic, fifteen
thousand dollars.

For arrangements and for the preservation
of the public property at the several places
of harbor and river improvement, fifteen
thousand dollars.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That
no officer in any branch of the public ser-
vice, or any other person whose salary, pay,
or emoluments, is or are fixed by law or
regulations, shall receive any additional
pay, extra allowance, or compensation, in
any form whatever, for the discharge of
public duty, or for any other service or
duty whatsoever, unless the same shall be
authorized by law, and the appropriation
thereof explicitly set forth that it is for
such additional pay, extra allowance, or
compensation.

Sec. 3. And be it further enacted, That
the following sums be, and the same are
hereby, appropriated, to be paid out of
any money in the Treasury not other-
wise appropriated, for the support of the
Military Academy for the year one thou-
sand eight hundred and forty-two viz:

No. 1. For pay of officers, instructors,
cadets, and musicians, sixty thousand five
hundred and twenty-four dollars.

No. 2. For commutation of subsistence
of officers and cadets, forty thousand and
seventy-seven dollars.

No. 3. For commutation of forage of
officers' horses, five thousand one hundred
and eighty-four dollars.

No. 4. For commutation of clothing of
officers' servants, four hundred and twenty
dollars.

No. 5. For defraying expenses of the
Board of Visitors, and for the other various
current and ordinary expenses of the
Academy, other than pay and subsistence,
twenty-six thousand four hundred and
thirty-six dollars.

No. 6. For increase and expenses of li-
brary, one thousand dollars.

For building and repairing the neces-
sary boats, and for carrying on the improve-
ments on the Missouri, Mississippi, Ohio,
and Arkansas rivers, one hundred thousand
dollars, under the direction of the Secre-
tary of War; and for the preservation and
repairs of public works heretofore con-
structed for the improvement of harbors,
thirty thousand dollars.

Approved, August 23, 1842.

[Public—No. 54.]

AN ACT to establish an auxiliary watch
for the protection of public and private
property in the city of Washington.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of
Representatives of the United States of
America, in Congress assembled, That there
shall be established an auxiliary guard or
watch for the protection of public and pri-
vate property against incendiaries, and for
the enforcement of the police regulations
of the city of Washington consisting
of a captain, to be appointed by the
Mayor of the said city, at an annual
salary of one thousand dollars; and
fifteen other persons, to be employed
by the captain, five of whom shall receive a
compensation of thirty-five dollars per
month and the remaining ten a compensa-
tion of thirty dollars per month.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That
the said auxiliary guard shall occupy as a
rendezvous such building or part of a build-
ing belonging to the United States, or
furnished by the corporation of Washing-
ton, as shall be directed by the President of
the United States, and shall be subject to
such rules and regulations as may be pre-
scribed by a board, to consist of the mayor
of the city of Washington, the attorney of
the United States for the District of Col-
umbia, and the attorney of the corpora-
tion of the said city of Washington, with
the approbation of the President of the
United States.

Sec. 3. And be it further enacted, That
for the compensation of said auxiliary
guard, and for the purchase of the neces-
sary and proper implements to distinguish
them in the discharge of their duties, the
sum of seven thousand dollars is hereby
appropriated, to be paid out of any money
in the Treasury not otherwise appropriat-
ed.

Approved, August 23, 1842.

[Public—No. 55.]

AN ACT to amend an act entitled "An
act to provide for the payment of horses,
or other property, lost or destroyed in
the military service of the United States,"

approved the eighteenth day of Janu-
ary, eighteen hundred and thirty-seven.
Be it enacted by the Senate and House of
Representatives of the United States of
America in Congress assembled, That the
above recited act be so amended as to em-
brace the claims of any field, or staff, or
other officer, mounted militia-man, volun-
teer, ranger, or cavalry, who has or shall
sustain damage, without any fault or neg-
ligence on his part, while in the military
service of the United States, by the loss
of a horse, destroyed or abandoned by
order of the commanding general or other
commanding officer, or by the loss of a
horse by being shot, or otherwise lost or
destroyed by unavoidable accident, with-
out any fault or negligence of the owner,
and when he was in the line of his duty,
and for the loss of necessary equipment in
consequence of the loss of his horse, as
aforesaid, shall be allowed and paid the
value thereof at the time of entering the
service.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That
in auditing and settling the claims provided
for in this, and in the act which this is
intended to amend, an appeal may be taken
and prosecuted from the decision of the
Auditor rejecting the claim; to the second
Comptroller of the Treasury, under the
direction of the Secretary, whose decision
shall be conclusive.

Sec. 3. And be it further enacted, That
it shall and may be lawful to make com-
pensation for horses, bridles, saddles, and
equipments, turned over to the service of
the United States, under the act approved
October fourteenth, eighteen hundred and
thirty-seven, whenever it shall be made to
appear that the person to whom they were
ordered to be delivered was acting as an
officer, although there may be no returns
in the Department to show his regular
appointment as such officer. And the cer-
tificates of proper officers, whether given
during or since the expiration of their term
of service, shall be receivable by the Audi-
tor in the settlement of such claims.

Approved, August 23, 1842.

[Public—No. 56.]

AN ACT respecting the organization of the
army, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of
Representatives of the United States of America,
in Congress assembled, That hereafter, and as soon
as the